

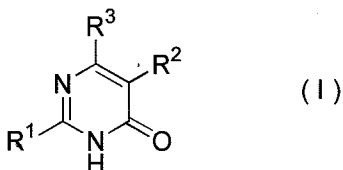
**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-26: (Canceled)

Claim 27: (Previously Presented) A pyrimidone compound represented by formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



wherein

R¹ represents a group represented by -N(R⁴)-W-R⁵ wherein

R⁴ represents a hydrogen atom;

R⁵ represents a C₁-C₁₈ alkyl group which may be substituted, a C₃-C₁₈ alkenyl group which may be substituted, a C₃-C₁₈ alkynyl group which may be substituted, a C₃-C₈ cycloalkyl group which may be substituted, or a C₆-C₁₄ aryl group which may be substituted, and

symbol "W" represents a single bond, a carbonyl group, a sulfonyl group, NH or a nitrogen atom substituted with a C₁-C₁₈ alkyl group which may be substituted;

R<sup>2</sup> represents a hydrogen atom; and

R<sup>3</sup> represents a 4-pyridyl group which may be substituted.

Claim 28: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 27 wherein R<sup>5</sup> represents a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkyl group substituted with a C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> aryl.

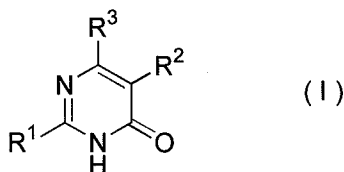
Claim 29 (Canceled)

Claim 30: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 27 wherein R<sup>2</sup> represents a hydrogen atom.

Claim 31: (Currently Amended) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, ~~or the solvate thereof, or the hydrate thereof~~ according to claim 27 wherein the symbol "W" represents a single bond or a carbonyl group.

Claim 32: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 31 wherein the symbol "W" represents a single bond.

Claim 33: (Previously Presented) A pyrimidone compound represented by formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents a group represented by -N(R<sup>4</sup>)-W-R<sup>5</sup> wherein

R<sup>4</sup> represents a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkenyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkynyl

group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub> cycloalkyl group which may be substituted, or a C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl group which may be substituted,

R<sup>5</sup> represents an alkyl group which may be substituted, said alkyl group being one of ethyl group, n-propyl group, isopropyl group, n-butyl group, isobutyl group, sec-butyl group, tert-butyl group, n-pentyl group, isopentyl group, neopentyl group, 1,1-dimethylpropyl group, n-hexyl group, isohexyl group, a linear or branched heptyl group, octyl group, nonyl group, decyl group, undecyl group, dodecyl group, tridecyl group, tetradecyl group, pentadecyl group or octadecyl group, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkenyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkynyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub> cycloalkyl group which may be substituted, or a C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl group which may be substituted, and

symbol "W" represents a single bond, a carbonyl group, a sulfonyl group, NH or a nitrogen atom substituted with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkyl group which may be substituted;

R<sup>2</sup> represents a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom; and

R<sup>3</sup> represents a 4-pyridyl group which may be substituted.

Claim 34 (Canceled)

Claim 35: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 33 wherein R<sup>2</sup> represents a hydrogen atom.

Claim 36: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 33 wherein the symbol "W" represents a single bond or a carbonyl group.

Claim 37: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or the pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 36 wherein the symbol "W" represents a single bond.

Claim 38: (Previously Presented) The pyrimidone compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 33 wherein R<sup>1</sup> represents N,N-diethylamino group, N,N-dipropylamino group, N-benzyl-N-methylamino group, N-isobutyl-N-methylamino group, N-benzylamino group, N-(3-hydroxypropyl)amino group, N-cyclohexylmethylamino group, N-phenylamino group, N-(4-ethylphenyl)amino group, N-(3-bromophenyl)amino group or N-(3-methoxyphenyl)amino group.

Claim 39: (Previously Presented) A pyrimidone compound which is selected from the group consisting of:

2-(N-phenylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N,N-diethylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N,N-dipropylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N-benzylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N-benzyl-N-methylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N-(3-bromophenyl)amino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N-(4-ethylphenyl)amino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

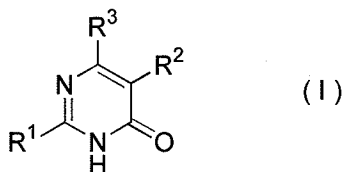
2-(N-(3-methoxyphenyl)amino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,

2-(N-cyclohexylmethylamino)-6-(4-pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one, and  
2-(N-isobutyl-N-methylamino)-6-(4pyridyl)pyrimidin-4-one,  
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 40: (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising as an active ingredient a substance selected from the pyrimidone compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 27.

Claim 41: (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising as an active ingredient a substance selected from the pyrimidone compound or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 33.

Claim 42: (Previously Presented) A method for therapeutic treatment of Alzheimer disease, which comprises administering to a patient a therapeutically effective amount of a substance selected from a pyrimidone compound represented by formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:



wherein

R<sup>1</sup> represents a group represented by -N(R<sup>4</sup>)-W-R<sup>5</sup> wherein

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> independently represent a hydrogen atom, a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkenyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkynyl group which may be substituted, a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>8</sub> cycloalkyl group which

may be substituted, or a C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>14</sub> aryl group which may be substituted, and

symbol "W" represents a single bond, a carbonyl group, a sulfonyl group,

NH or a nitrogen atom substituted with a C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub> alkyl group which may be

substituted;

R<sup>2</sup> represents a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom; and

R<sup>3</sup> represents a pyridyl group which may be substituted.